

Public Meeting Schedule fall 1997

Your Chance to Be Part of the Solution

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program was initiated in 1995 by Governor Pete Wilson and the Clinton Administration to address environmental and water management problems related to the Bay-Delta, an intricate web of waterways created at the junction of the San Francisco Bay and the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers. Today the Bay-Delta system is in serious trouble. Habitats are declining, and some native species are listed as endangered. Water supply reliability has declined significantly. The system has suffered from impaired water quality. Many levees are structurally weak and present an unacceptably high risk of breaching.

The Bay-Delta is a critically important part of California's natural environment and economy. It supplies drinking water for more than 22 million Californians and irrigation water for more than four million acres of the world's most productive farmland, which, for example, produce 45 percent of the nation's fruits and vegetables. It supports 120 fish and wildlife species; some found nowhere else on the planet. Ultimately, California's trillion-dollar economy, the seventh largest in the world, is at risk if Bay-Delta environmental and water management problems are not resolved.

CALFED is made up of technical experts from various agencies, and given direction by the policy leadership of those agencies, as well as a federally chartered public advisory committee.

CALFED will soon release its preferred alternative for a Bay-Delta solution. This is your opportunity to learn about the Program's work and get involved in solving the problems of the Bay-Delta and securing California's water future.

Public Meetings Schedule

Public meetings throughout the state have been planned to encourage your involvement in the CALFED Bay-Delta solution. Each meeting will feature an informal, open-house session during which you can browse displays and informational materials or talk oneon-one with Program staff. This will be followed by a prepared general presentation about the Program.

> 5:30 - 7 p.m. 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Open House Presentation Q&A

TUESDAY, OCT. 28 **Plumas County** Location TBD

THURSDAY, NOV. 6 Bay Area

Commonwealth Club, Auditorium 595 Market St. San Francisco

TUESDAY, NOV 4 Walnut Grove

Jean Harvie Community Center 14273 River Rd.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12 Fresno Ramada Inn, Room Shaw A

324 E. Shaw Ave.

TUESDAY, NOV. 18 Santa Barbara

Radisson Hotel Santa Barbara, Vista Mar Monte Room 1111 E. Cabrillo Blvd.

> WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3 Los Angeles Area Holiday Inn, Cypress Room 303 E. Cordova St. Pasadena

THURSDAY, DEC. 4 San Diego

Vacation Inn, Cabrillo Room 3900 Old Town Ave.